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The Cookery Bookery

The Cookery Bookery, Simple Recipes from Chengelo Staff and Students



The 6th form girls





Mukupa, Mapalo and Sazile

At the beginning of the year our tutor group set out to learn simple recipes with the help of Sarah North, our beloved tutor.

We were hoping these recipes would come in handy when we moved out into the real world to pursue our careers or move onto new adventures (preferably not living off two-minute noodles while doing so).

This is where the idea popped up to make a recipe book of everything we learnt to keep with us in our further endeavours.

We soon thought it would be a good idea to get teachers, friends and families to contribute a favourite simple recipe of theirs.

With much collating, editing and tinkering, there are over 200 recipes creating what we have today, "*The Cookery Bookery*" itself. This is now on sale in the hope of raising money to improve our 6th Form.

Robyn Sherriff

Copies are available from Hannah Flanders and Steve Baker on the C.E.T. committee costing £7.50.

HERE & THERE

Fellowship Day 2021

Provisional arrangements for the 2021 Fellowship Day are that it will be held on ZOOM and at the Sarum Hill Centre, Basingstoke RG21 8EW courtesy of Mike Hackston (01256 412237) from 10am on 17th April. Please bring your own refreshments. Note there is very little parking at the church.

This would accommodate both those who are unwilling to travel to Basingstoke and those who would want to attend. There will be NO fellowship day at Linlithgow in Scotland.

These arrangements are tentative and supporters are asked to check the CET website for confirmation of this arrangement.

For further details nearer the time please contact Mike Hackston.

Mbuwemi Nyirenda

Mbuwemi is a very talented musician who left Chengelo in 2018. He has been offered a place at Holy Trinity Brompton in London to improve his musical talents and skills especially on the drums. He will be leaving for the UK shortly.

Luyando Lisimba

Luyando achieved a 'Top of the World' award in his Cambridge GCE exams last year in Agriculture. He hopes to study computer science at Manchester or Loughborough after completing his A levels.



Robyn, Chiti and Alexandra



Jinglin, Mutende and Mubanga

Chengelo School Board of Governors and Trustees

Trustees:
Founders: Messrs Russell Wyatt, David Moffat, Barton Young

Other Trustees:
Ambassador Mumba Kapumpa (parent), Mpundu Mutala
(former parent and first Zambian General Secretary of Scripture Union)

Board Members:

1. **Dr. Felix Muchimba** – has a longstanding association with Chengelo as a former parent and member of the Selection Committee. He took over the role of Chairman after Brian Bentley retired. He often travels overseas to speak on subjects such as Culture and Christianity, Missions and Church leadership. He has authored several books and is heavily involved in Operation Mobilisation. He lives in Ndola with his wife Eve.

2. **Linda Siddle** – is Vice-Chairman on the Board. She worked at Chengelo from 1994 – 2008, and both her daughter Sarah and son-in-law Dave North teach at the school. Two of her three grandchildren attend the primary school. She and her husband Tony have a farm in Mkushi, specializing in beef cattle and goat husbandry. As the only local governor she is often called upon to attend to school business and has recently headed up the committee tasked with finding a new principal.

3. **Peter Pedersen** – Peter and his dear wife have been involved in ministry for many years and will soon retire and return to their home country Denmark. Peter has headed up Kaniki Bible College in Ndola and often travels to other neighbouring countries to visit former Kaniki students who are now pastors. Peter's advice over the years has been invaluable and his strong faith and commitment to the vision of Chengelo has never faltered.

4. **Harold Rea** – no stranger to most friends in the UK – was director of the school before Andrew Cowling came as principal He has a daughter and son-in-law currently working at the school and four grandchildren all in primary. Harold and Mary live in Lusaka on their own plot and often host Chengelo staff on Lusaka visits. They are well known for their wonderful hospitality and passion for people's well-being. His experience of running Chengelo is now invaluable!

5. **Peter de Wet** – Peter is a Lusaka businessman who came from South Africa initially as a missionary. He is an animal nutritionist and runs a stockfeed business. His two daughters excelled themselves at Chengelo and are both continuing their studies in the UK. Peter travels all over Zambia and has many contacts. He is the Board representative on the Training Farm committee and visits the school regularly. He is passionate about raising up young people in Zambia who can take leadership roles. He is full of ideas and enthusiasm and a real encourager.

6. **Mtaziwa (Taz) Kumwenda** – Taz used to be based in Mkushi as an agronomist but has now moved to Lusaka in a senior role for a company which supplies farming inputs in Mkushi. He is a parent of two children currently in school and one who has completed and is now studying in Norway. His wife used to work in administration as PA to the Head of Secondary and had a great heart for the ancillary staff at school. As a business man, Taz's advice is very useful and he also sits on the Chengelo Training Farm committee with Peter.

7. **Dr. Antoinette Phiri** – is a medical doctor based in Kitwe. Two of her children are past pupils. Together with her husband they run their own practice which is part of their larger ministry to the local people. She is the Board member who always reminds us of the VISION, if she thinks we are moving in a different direction, and is a prayer warrior!

8. **Carmen Brubacher** – Carmen is an American missionary based in Samfya (Luapula Province) with her husband Mark. Carmen is a water engineer and heads up her organisation "Water4" in Africa. She travels extensively, – Covid permitting – and has two daughters in school. Her experience in running an organisation is invaluable and she heads up the finance sub-committee to support the Finance Manager. The Brubacher family is well-known in Zambia, as Mark's parents served at Sakeji School for a long time.

9. **Helen Banda** – is a lawyer and works at the Bank of Zambia – quite a useful combination as she is very skilled in dealing with HR issues and has been such an asset to the team in many ways. She is very thorough in matters of policy and keeps us all on track. She has two children in the school and had served very effectively on the PTA previously.

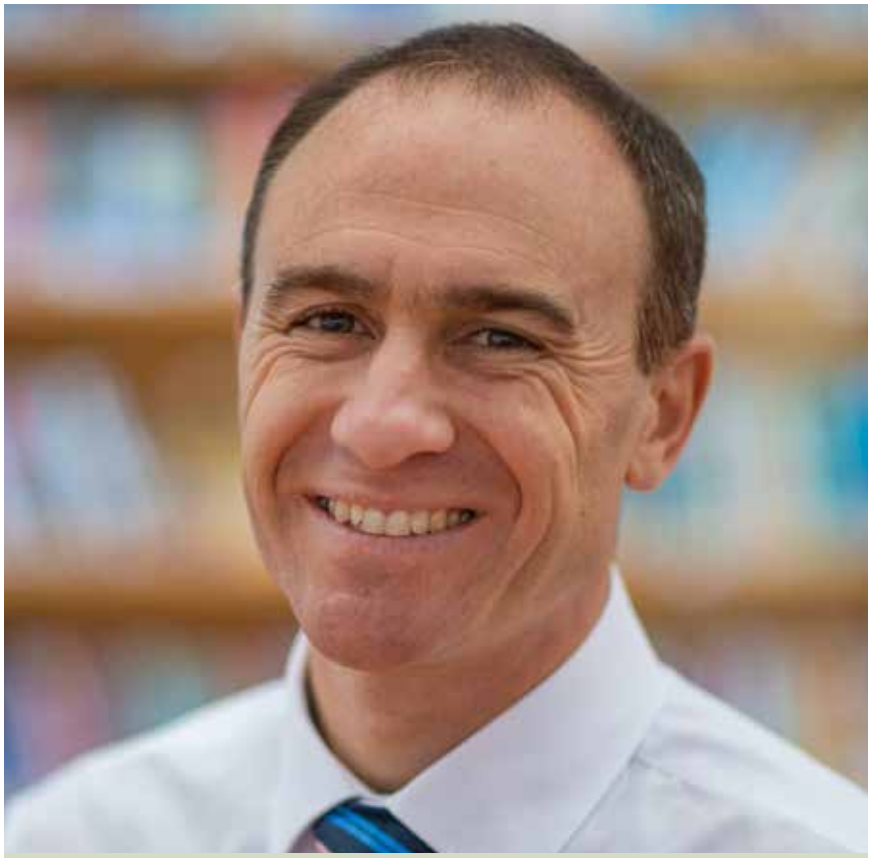
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Farewell lunch for Andrew and Naomi Cowling attended by the local governors and trustees.

10. Patrick Coleman – is a missionary who works in the Luanshya area. He has been our technical expert and has set up many Zoom meetings since March. We have been unable to meet as a Board outside of our homes as our priority has been to safeguard the school. Patrick keeps us all smiling, is full of ideas, and has the gift of encouragement. His son Colin was a pupil at Chengelo and Patrick is so grateful for those years.

11. Twaambo Chikoye – our youngest member and a former deputy head boy at Chengelo! [Amy Kingdom was the first former pupil to serve, briefly] Twaambo is currently very involved with the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme as Zambia Director and at the same time assists in pastoring a church in Lusaka. He will be able to offer great support to Ndubaluba as he has such broad experience in this field. It is very exciting and refreshing having someone who knows the school intimately and is still passionate about it.



Mr. Paul Vines, the new School Principal from January 2021

Farewell from The Principal

Dear Friends,

As 2020 draws to its conclusion, it is time again for us to say farewell to Chengelo.

Naomi and I have loved serving here for the last six years. Chengelo is a very special place and has been an important part of our lives.

This year has had many challenges, but as is so often the case, this has been matched by an opportunity to see God's grace at work.

- We have been sustained through this year, we have adjusted at times to online learning, but have been blessed to end the year with the school fully re-open.
- Staff have really pulled together to face the challenges.
- Students have undoubtedly faced challenges through this, but recent progress data is showing that they are doing really well at making up the gaps.
- We praise God that Chengelo has been blessed with record levels of student applications for the new year. We will have to begin building a new hostel for the girls, more changing room space for the PE department, and an additional classroom. To be talking about such things after a year like 2020 is an incredible testimony to God's faithfulness.
- We have been blessed with some excellent appointments for the new year to carry the school forward. I am excited about what God has in store.

The end of 2020 and going into 2021 continues to need to be a time of healing and restoration.

- Thankfully Zambia has seen fewer cases of COVID 19, but there have been losses and we continue to pray for a conclusion to this brutal virus.
- With churches closed for much of the year and with important aspects of Chengelo like home groups, discipleship groups & Fusion (youth Service) unable to function as normal, staff and students feel a loss and we long for a full restoration of fellowship.
- The 'new normal' routines often lack the same emotional connections. Behind face masks, our smiles are less obvious. Social distancing does exactly that. We pray that 2021 will see renewal and restoration of relationships.

God bless you for your support and encouragement over the years.

Andrew Cowling

Around The School



The Chengelo Sixth Form in their new blazers

Around The School



Chengelo Under 17 Rugby Team win the ISAZ School Championship



The school play - The Tempest

Mask up!











Around The School



The Grade 7 Assembly in March, just before shutdown

Presentation to the Trust's Committee Meeting

Andrew Cowling's presentation to the Trust's committee meeting on 17th October

COVID 19

Importantly, no reports of the illness have been reported and Andrew said that he was very conscious of God being with them over the past months. The school had reopened on Sunday September 20th. The only major inconvenience was that the school were not allowed to use the clinic as an isolation ward but two staff houses had to be set aside for this.

COVID has proved a burden on the teachers especially at meal times with extra staff needed to monitor meal times and boarding. There have been no sports activities against other schools. This lack of travel has affected Ndubaluba as the Centre has had no external bookings since April. The school has used the facility since re-opening but revenue has been cut in half. This has had an impact on staff morale. Andrew feels there will be no external bookings until 2022.

On a positive note the vast majority of students have returned to school and the remainder have continued to learn on line. Some of the international students are yet to return,

Andrew asks for prayer for students, many of whom have been affected by the COVID crisis. Behaviour expectations have been affected as staff have to work hard to enable students to settle down to a new school routine.

Staff

Andrew and Naomi are leaving Chengelo at Christmas and Andrew has been offered a post at one of the Emmanuel Schools in the north east of England. Paul Vines has been appointed head. A head of primary has been appointed as well as a Maths teacher. Other interviews and appointments are in the pipeline, some on ZOOM. Our Trust chairman said that UK trust members would be happy to meet up with prospective employees.

Finance

Key costs have been covered to the end of the year and we will then have received 90% of our budgeted income. Numbers are looking good for the year ahead and school and parent debts are much less than originally forecast. A fee increase of 25% has been budgeted for 2021 with over eighty registered in Forms One and Two.

Numbers are very strong for the year ahead with over 450 enrolled. The expansion into a three class year group has worked well and has now reached form four.

C.E.T.

Andrew acknowledged the help that the Trust had given the school in revamping the tennis courts and fencing. The Trust has also provided funds for back up lighting for classrooms and hostels so that there is no need for the expensive use of a generator. Unfortunately continuing work on the slaughter house has been delayed while planning permission is sought from the local council. Work will be starting shortly on a new worker's house. Plans are afoot for a new girls hostel to accommodate the high number of girls' applications.

Church

Church services have just restarted but staff are meeting in four groups.

From The Editor's Armchair

It is a real tribute to the sixth form girls at Chengelo that at a time of school closure and examination preparation they have undertaken a project that will leave a legacy for the school. Well done.

No matter where we live or whether we are at work or retired, we have all had to respond to the events of the last few months. Like many others we have tidied the loft space and removed excess items of furniture.

Maybe more interestingly I have discovered 'Thought for the Day' at 7.45 am on Radio 4. Some of the recent talks have ben excellent, spiritual wisdom distilled into a maximum of three minutes, also available on BBC Sounds.

I have also dug out some old books on how the gospel penetrated Northern Rhodesia and Southern Africa. *Robert Moffat* by Cecil Northcott is a good read, although I notice that my copy has a Munali Secondary School stamp on it but with a Lusaka bookshop stamp underneath. Two of my children have greatly enjoyed 'All the Days of My Life by Russell Wyatt a real testimony to our loving God.

So our sixth form girls have a rich heritage to build on as they go forward into their careers. May the Lord bless all the Chengelo school leavers this Christmas.



The Chengelo Sixth Form

TREASURER'S REPORT

There is no doubt that 2020 has been a challenge. The school's income and cash flow has come under pressure. CET have been able to support the school by sending £18,000 to help pay the bills. (Another example of why we need money in the General Fund so badly).

Also the staff are paid in Kwacha which has dropped significantly against the pound, which has made finances for UK staff with liabilities to pay at home very difficult. CET this year has therefore contributed half of the cost of health insurance for them to be able to access similar treatment as if they were UK based.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you would like any help or advice about donating to the Trust, eg Gift Aid or standing orders or legacies etc.

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